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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

After the title and before the first paragraph, please insert --This application is a Divisional of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/566,825 filed May 8, 2000 which is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/107,847, filed June 30, 1998, the entire disclosures of which are expressly incorporated by reference herein.--

Please delete the Sequence Listing of record and insert the attached Sequence Listing into the application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-10 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add the following new claims:

- 11. (Newly Added) An isolated polypeptide comprising the polypeptide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:2.
- 12. (Newly Added) The isolate polypeptide of claim 11 consisting of the polypeptide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:2.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Claims 11 and 12 have been added.